

PUBLIC NOTICE
For
Air Quality Operating Permit
for Rio Rancho Landfill of Waste Management of New Mexico

Waste Management of New Mexico at PO Box 15700; Rio Rancho, NM 87124 has submitted an air quality operating permit application to the New Mexico Environment Department (NMED) for an air quality operating permit for its Rio Rancho Landfill. The owner of this plant is Waste Management of New Mexico. The exact location of the facility is/will be at latitude 35 deg, 16 min, 42 sec and longitude -106 deg, 40 min, 0 sec. To aid in locating this facility, the approximate location is approximately 3 miles NNW of Rio Rancho City Hall in Sandoval County, New Mexico. This application file has been assigned an Operating Permit Number P208LR1M3 and TEMPO Agency Interest ID No. 1128.

This facility is a Municipal Solid Waste (MSW) Landfill. The Rio Rancho Landfill accepts MSW, construction and demolitions debris, state special wastes, and non-hazardous industrial solid waste. The landfill also treats and disposes of petroleum contaminated soils. Waste Management of New Mexico Inc. has installed a landfill gas collection and control system, which routes landfill gas to an enclosed flare for destruction.

This operating permit application is for a permit modification. Per 20.2.70.401.C.(4) NMAC, this permitting action involves expanding the hours of operation.

The estimated maximum air pollutant emissions to the atmosphere from this plant after the requested operating permit is granted are NO_x, 3.5 tons per year (tpy), CO 8.8 tpy, VOC, 1.5 tons per year TSP 88.2 tpy and PM₁₀ 26.1 tpy, and PM 2.5 3.8. Total HAPS are 24.5 tons per year. There are no changes in emissions in this permitting action.

The NMED has conducted a preliminary review of the information submitted with the permit application. This review included evaluation of the emission rates and applicable requirements to determine compliance status.

The NMED has made a preliminary determination that this plant will comply with the requirements of Title 20, New Mexico Administrative Code (NMAC), Chapter 2, Parts 1, 7, 70, 71, 73, and 77; 40 CFR 50; 40 CFR 60 Subparts A and WWW; 40 CFR 63 Subparts A and AAAA; and the New Mexico Air Quality Control Act. Therefore, the preliminary intent of NMED is to issue the air quality operating permit on or before October 5, 2011.

Interested persons may obtain the draft operating permit, submit written comments, or request a public hearing on Operating Permit Number P208LR1M3. Contact the New Mexico Environment Department, Air Quality Bureau, Operating Permit Unit, 1301 Siler Rd, Bldg B, Santa Fe, New Mexico 87507-3113.

Written requests for public hearing must state the nature of the issues proposed to be raised in the hearing. Comments must be based on the requirements of the applicable state and federal air quality regulations and the Clean Air Act. Comments or hearing requests must be received within 30 days after the public notice is published.

The permit application, draft permit and relevant supporting materials are currently available for review at the Air Quality Bureau, Operating Permits Unit, 1301 Siler, Bldg B, Santa Fe, New Mexico 87507-3113. The Department contact in Santa Fe is William Green at 505-476-4345.

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